

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

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1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER Hot Springs Star		2. DATE 9-30-04
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE Weekly	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 52	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$ 33.00
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) PO Box 1000, Hot Springs, SD 57747		
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) 107 N. Chicago, Hot Springs, SD 57747		
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: Brett Nachtigall		
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.)		
FULL NAME	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS	
Country Media, 1317 W. 42nd St., Scottsbluff, NE 69361		
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.) - See other side		
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	2150	2150
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION		
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.	512	637
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)	1,470	1,414
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)	1,982	2,051
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION		
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS	14	14
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES		
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)	1,996	2,065
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED		
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	154	85
2. Return from News Agents		
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)	2,150	2,150

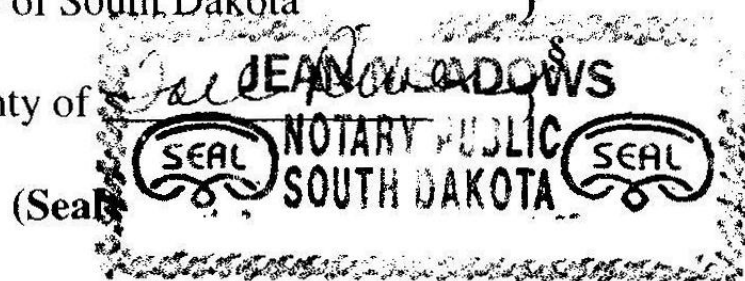
Statement must be signed by Publisher, Business Manager, or Owner in the presence of a Notary Public
I swear that the statements made by me are true, correct, and complete:

Brett Nachtigall
 (Signature)

Publisher
 (Title)

State of South Dakota

County of **Deuel**



Sworn to before me this **7** day of **October**, 20**04**

Jean Meadows
 Notary Public

My commission expires: **3-28-2005**

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